

The Connection

Keeping Glendale Residents Connected

January 2013



Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party

Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party Rocks Downtown Glendale January 12

Glow, Baby, Glow! Glendale Glitters holiday light display concludes with a rockin' block party, Glendale Glitter & Glow, on Jan. 12, from 4-10 p.m. with fun for the whole family! Take in the stunning 1.5 million lights along with more than 20 hot air balloons glowing brightly amidst the trees throughout 16 blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale. A highlight for visitors will be specially-shaped balloons, as well as mass glows, in which the balloon pilots will fire the balloons all at once to create an illuminating spectacle.

The dazzling scene of vibrant glowing colors and twinkling lights, combined with musical performances and delicious food and

beverages, will be a feast for the senses. Thousands of people are expected to stroll along the closed downtown streets and watch tethered balloons, enjoying more than a dozen bands performing rock, blues, reggae, country and jazz music as well as vibrant street performers for a climactic finale to a festive season.

Glendale Glitter & Glow is produced by Glendale's Office of Special Events, and sponsored by APS, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona, The Arizona Republic, ABC15, Snapple, KOOL, KMLE, JAMZ and Camelback-Ranch Glendale. INFO: glendaleaz.com/events or 623-930-2299.

Glendale residents can save at 2013 Spring Training At Camelback Ranch – Glendale!



Living in Glendale certainly has its benefits, and here's a special perk just for you! Between January 4-6, 2013, Glendale residents can enjoy an exclusive pre-sale opportunity to purchase 2013 Dodgers and White Sox Spring Training tickets before they go on sale to the public.

Glendale residents receive a free seat upgrade to the next best seating category during this exclusive three-day, pre-sale offer. Visit CamelbackRanchBaseball.com and

select the "Buy Your Tickets" link on the home page. Use the passcode "GLENDALE" when ordering. This special offer is exclusive to Glendale residents only!



To continue receiving special offers from Camelback Ranch-Glendale during the Spring Training season, visit CamelbackRanchBaseball.com and sign-up to receive the Camelback Insider newsletter!

Free Water Efficiency Classes for Glendale Residents

The Conservation and Sustainable Living (CSL) program offers residents a free Green-Living class each month with new topics, guest speakers and local experts. Check out the line-up for the 2013 Spring Green-Living class series:

January 29 – Renovate Your Yard:

Landscape Design and Renovation (6:00 – 7:45 pm)

February 12 – Enjoy Habitat Gardening:

How to Attract Birds and Butterflies (6:00 – 7:45 pm)

March 12 - Reduce Your Outdoor Water Use:

How to Program Your Irrigation Timer (6:00 – 7:45 pm)

April 13 – Hug A Tree:

Desert Tree Care (10:00 – 11:30 am)

The CSL program is offering Simple Savings Energy classes* again in 2013! Learn ways to save money on water and energy use in your home. Glendale residents will receive a high efficiency showerhead, a 4-pack of CFLs, and a programmable thermostat for attending the classes, which will be held from 6:00 – 7:00 pm on the following dates: January 17, February 21, and March 26.

All classes are held at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.). Register at 623-930-3760 or bpatrick@glendaleaz.com. Find additional class information at glendaleaz.com/green.

**Classes and devices are funded by the Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant.*



A Message from Mayor Elaine Scruggs

YOU can help Glendale reach its best possible future

As I am writing my last "Connection" message, the elections are still a few days away. When your newsletter arrives, we will know who you have chosen to be your mayor and councilmembers. My wish for our city's new leaders is that they have the opportunity to experience the accomplishments, joys, friendships, and civic pride that I have known and cherished as your mayor for the past two decades.

I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you have done for our city and all you have meant to me personally. The warm kindnesses of your smiles and words have truly given me strength and encouragement throughout the years.

Please keep your passion for what makes Glendale truly special – our "small town hometown feel" even though we are now the 72nd largest city in the United States. Please continue to place a high priority on preserving our city's rich history along with celebrating new developments. Please build on your neighborhood alliances and coalitions that are the foundation of Glendale's quality of life.

Most importantly, please make sure your newly elected leaders know your priorities so they will embrace and support what is most important to you.

There are so many times you have stepped forward with your time, your talents, your knowledge and your enthusiasm in positive ways. I hope you will continue to do so and I look forward to working alongside you.

Elaine Scruggs
Mayor

Mark Your Calendar: January is for Football and Festivals!

Now in its seventh year in Glendale, the Fiesta Bowl on January 3, 2013 will match up two of college football's greatest teams. Along with the gridiron action, the game brings a multitude of festivities to enjoy. All events are open to the public. Some events charge admission. INFO: 480-350-0911 or glendalesgotgame.com.

35th Annual Fiesta Bowl Band Championship

University of Phoenix Stadium
Sunday, December 30, 2012
Prelims: 10:00 a.m. Finals: 3:00 p.m.

Tostitos Brings You

College Football's Biggest Party

University of Phoenix Stadium
North Orange Lot
Thursday, January 3, 2013 – 12:30 - 5:30 p.m.

APS Fiesta Bowl Stadium Club

University of Phoenix Stadium – Great Lawn
Thursday, January 3, 2013 – 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

42nd Annual Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

University of Phoenix Stadium
Thursday, January 3, 2013 – 6:30 p.m.



Please note that due to printing deadlines, we encourage you to check our online version of this newsletter for the most up-to-date event information and details.

Foothills Health & Wellness Fair

The Sixth Annual Foothills Health Fair is being held from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturday, January 12 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center (5600 W. Union Hills Drive). This free event provides an opportunity to gain valuable health and wellness information for all ages and to check out the health and fitness options available at the center. Local companies and organizations will share products and provide free services such as chair massages and blood pressure checks. Booths include dentists, cancer advocates, personal trainers, chiropractor services, holistic services, area health care professionals and more. INFO: 623-930-4600

Free Winter Class Sampler

Experience a FREE week of sample special interest activities January 7-12 provided by the Glendale Parks, Recreation & Library Services Department. Featured classes include Zumba, Boot Camps, yoga, dance and more. INFO: 623-930-4612

For a complete listing of city events, activities and meetings, visit glendaleaz.com/calendar.

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